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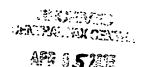
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would also negate the use of mineral slab as an obvious design choice for the cap material in Allen et al. Thus, since the use of a mineral slab would not have been an obvious design choice suitable for its intended purpose, Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 25, 27, and 28 are not anticipated by Allen et al.

Allowable Subject Matter

In paragraph 13 of the Office Action, the Examiner states that claims 1-24 and 29 are allowed.

With this Amendment, claims 30-42 have been added, which Applicant submits are patentable over the cited prior art.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully asserts that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested. If the Examiner would like to discuss the Application or its examination, please call the undersigned at (612) 677-9050.

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